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THE CONFERENCE OF NON-NUCLEAR STATES OPENED GENERAL DEBATE HERE THIS MORNING BY APPROVING A FIVE-POINT AGENDA COVERING TERMS OF THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY.

THE FIRST ITEM WAS ""MEASURES TO ASSURE THE SECURITY OF THE NON-NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES."" THIS IS THE MOST SENSITIVE ISSUE SINCE THE SOVIET INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

THE ""SECURITY GUARANTEES"" OFFERED BY THE NUCLEAR POWERS IN THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY CALL FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION BY THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL TO AID ANY NON-NUCLEAR STATE THREATENED BY OR ATTACKED WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

BUT SINCE THE SOVIET SECURITY COUNCIL VETO, FOLLOWING ITS INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, NON-NUCLEAR NATIONS HAVE CHARGED THAT THE SECURITY GUARANTEES OFFERED IN THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY ARE VALUELESS, SINCE A SIMILAR VETO COULD CANCEL THEM.

AT THIS MORNINGS SESSION HUNGARY STATED THAT IT WOULD APPROVE THE AGENDA ONLY WITH RESERVATIONS. THE HUNGARIAN DELEGATE OBJECTED TO THE FACT THAT THE AGENDA DID NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAD ADOPTED A TREATY ON NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS THAT WAS SIGNED NOT ONLY BY THE HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT, BUT BY MORE THAN 70 OTHERS.

OTHER SPEAKERS THIS MORNING WERE ETHIOPIA, PAKISTAN, IRAN SOUTH AFRICA AND YEMEN.

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